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SUBJ: POLICY ON OIL CUTBACKS

1. MFA (VAN SCHAIK) HAS CALLED OUR ATTENTION TO REPORT IT HAS RECEIVED THROUGH KLM THAT SOME USG AGENCY HAS ASKED CHEVRON OIL COMPANY TO CUT BACK SUPPLIES OF AVIATION FUEL FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC TO 16 PERCENT OF NORMAL OFFTAKE BUT TO CUT BACK SUPPLIES FOR INTERNAL FLIGHTS BY ONLY 5 PERCENT (I.E. TO 95 PERCENT). MFA HAS ASKED DUTCH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS.

2. DUTCH ARE DISTURBED BY THIS REPORT NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF EFFECT IT COULD HAVE ON KLM OPERATIONS BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT WOULD REPRESENT DEPARTURE FROM PRINCIPLE OF PRO-RATING AVAILABILITY ON EVEN-HANDED BASIS AS BETWEEN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN CONSUMERS WHICH DUTCH HAVE BEEN WORKING SO HARD TO
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ESTABLISH AMONG THEIR EUROPEAN PARTNERS. GON HAS MADE IT CLEAR

TO OIL COMPANIES HERE THAT THEY SHOULD TREAT ALL CONSUMERS BOTH DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN ON SAME BASIS EVEN IF THIS MEANS SUBSTANTIAL CUT BACKS IN SUPPLIES TO DUTCH CONSUMERS. DUTCH HAVE REACHED SECRET UNDERSTANDING WITH GERMANS ON THIS POINT. GON HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT FRENCH, ITALIANS, AND POSSIBLY BELGIANS ARE DEPARTING FROM THIS PRINCIPLE TO BENEFIT THEIR OWN DOMESTIC CONSUMERS. THIS PROBLEM WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH BELGIANS AT BENELUX MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NOV 26.

3. WE WOULD WELCOME CLARIFICATION OF US POLICY IN THIS REGARD AND ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON REPORTED CHEVRON CASE.
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